

## City Requests Public Input On Buddy Attick Master Plan

by Stephanie Quinn



PHOTO BY STEPHANIE QUINN

**Representatives of Mahan Rykiel Associates and PROS Consulting ask community members to provide input about Buddy Attick Park via live smartphone polls.**

The city welcomed public input to plan for the future of Buddy Attick Park in a community meeting at the Municipal Building last Thursday evening, ahead of the launch this week of an online public survey. The output of the process will be an updated master plan for the park.

“This will be a roadmap to help staff manage the park well

into the future,” said Greenbelt Recreation Director Greg Varda in a phone conversation on Friday.

Community members filled the council chamber, calling for greater accessibility, protection of the park’s biodiversity and enhanced infrastructure for

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## Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Kicks Off Friday, September 1

This year’s Labor Day Festival features most of the Greenbelt favorites, from the Outstanding Citizen award to carnival rides, booths, Bingo and more. Come for the spectacle, the community, the fun and the food. Here are highlights of the Festival for the first two days.

### Friday Happenings

The Festival opens Friday, September 1 at 6 p.m. with Bingo on the Community Center lawn, midway rides by Rosedale Attractions along with food, game and information booths. Opening ceremonies take place from 6:30 to 7:15 p.m., with a color guard and the 2023 Outstanding Citizen presentation. The Rockabilly Rebels, a four-piece group with two members who grew up in Greenbelt, perform live onstage from 8 to 11 p.m. Their show features music from the likes of Elvis Presley, Carl Perkins, Chuck Berry and Johnny Cash that will have the audience dancing.

This week’s issue of the News Review contains the Festival pull-out schedule, cunningly contrived as a handy booklet (with a bit



PHOTO BY SHARON WEIDENFELD

**Hustle, bustle, crowds and fun at the 2022 Labor Day Festival**

of scissoring and folding). The pullout includes information on the food booths, which include Gyro Queen falafels, Good To Da Bone BBQ, funnel cakes from Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt Democratic Club, waffle bowl with ice cream from the Tea Zone and many others. Plan the weekend’s menus accordingly.

A class act is the Greenbelt Elementary PTA book sale. Despite longstanding rumors that print is dead, the book sale is a big draw for the Greenbelt bookworm. Head there early and often as new layers of books are added.

Friday evening also offers the

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## Prince George’s County Schools Will Open Monday, August 28

*Prince George’s County Public Schools (PGCPS) has a back-to-school guide available online at [pgcps.org/about-pgcps/back-to-school](http://pgcps.org/about-pgcps/back-to-school). What follows is a collation of available information relevant to Greenbelt families.*

### New Superintendent

Millard House II was appointed superintendent of PGCPS, effective July 1, by Prince George’s County Executive Angela Alsobrooks. (The position was recently renamed superintendent at the end of Monica Goldson’s tenure

as CEO, as it was prior to 2013.) House comes to PGCPS from the Houston Independent School District, where he served the largest school district in Texas and the eighth largest in the country for two years.

### Backpack Requirements

In a change from the previously announced requirement regarding clear backpacks, the policy will now only apply to ninth through 12th graders and students in Non-Traditional Program North, South and Middle.

At present, clear backpacks are optional for sixth through eighth graders. PGCPS will evaluate the policy for middle school grades at the end of the first semester and communicate any modifications prior to the end of winter break. Mesh alternatives are not allowed. The school system is working with community partners to assist high school students in need.

### No Shots? No School.

Back-to-school immunization clinics are available to serve students in need of vaccines. Immunization clinics are designed to support students and families that are underinsured or uninsured. Between August 28 and Friday, September 8, visit

See **SCHOOLS**, page 6

### What Goes On

#### Monday, August 28

7:30 p.m., City Council Worksession: Greenbelt Station HOA (stakeholder), Municipal Building

#### Wednesday, August 30

7:30 p.m., Council Worksession: Prince George’s County School Board Representative, Municipal Building

See the meetings calendar on page 5 or visit [greenbeltnmd.gov](http://greenbeltnmd.gov) for more information.



PHOTO BY CATHIE MEETRE

**Heading away from Eleanor Roosevelt High School at quitting time, surrounded by school buses**

## Stronger Summer Storms Highlight Grid Vulnerability

by Stephanie Quinn



PHOTO BY JEFFREY ALLEN JONES

**Last summer’s storm took out hundreds of trees and several utility poles. This fire truck blocks Crescent Road at Hillside where a tree brought down live wires.**

Tornado warnings on August 7 led to early closures of federal offices, the University of Maryland and other workplaces in the metro area. But it was a series of summer storms the weekend of July 28 and 29 that interrupted moviegoers, swimmers and the postal service in Greenbelt. Pepco posted on July 30 on the social media platform X that 70,000 of its customers in Maryland and Washington experienced outages.

Summer power outages cause inconvenience and can be life-threatening. But they also highlight the vulnerability to severe weather of the electricity grid and the systems it powers.

Cynthia Brown, aquatic coordinator at the Greenbelt Aquatic

& Fitness Center, said the Friday evening storm on July 28 shut down the motor to the outdoor pool’s filtration system overnight. Staff could not open the pool to the public until 1 p.m. the next day, after all 190,843 gallons cycled through the system.

“If you think about it the pool’s filtration system, it’s like the human heart,” Brown said. “The human heart pumps the blood through the body system so that it can function properly. It goes through our kidneys and it cleans everything out.”

Greenbelt’s indoor and outdoor pools have separate filtration systems that regulate the levels

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# Letters to the Editor

## A Wish List

Greenbelt roads are maintained by the City of Greenbelt, Prince George’s County, Maryland State or the National Park Service. Consider this wish list when funds are available.

1) Ridge Road @ Laurel Hill Road. Replace the current stop signs with red flashing lights attached to stop signs like those installed at Lastner Lane @ Ivy Lane. Greenbelt Elementary School is next to the intersection and increased pedestrian traffic safety at this intersection is needed.

2) Northbound (NB) Hanover Parkway @ Greenway Center Drive. Install a left turn green arrow and synchronize with the southbound Hanover Parkway @ Ora Glen Drive left turn light. This would improve traffic flow and safety.

3) Ora Glen Drive and Greenway Center Drive @ Hanover Parkway. Replace the shared green light of Ora Glen Drive and Greenway Center Drive with separate green lights. This would improve safety and the flow of traffic. Greenway Center Drive has numerous drivers turning left to go NB on Hanover Parkway.

4) Baltimore-Washington Parkway @ Greenbelt Road. Both access ramps from the Parkway need additional yield signs, roadway markings or even rumble strips added. Access ramp drivers regularly fail to yield to other drivers heading east on Greenbelt Road at Greenway Center, and access ramp drivers at westbound Greenbelt Road fail to yield to drivers turning at Southway.

5) NB Southway @ Ridge Road. The right turn lane requires

drivers to turn right at Ridge Road. Many do not. Increase the solid white line that separates the straight and turn lanes to at least the site of the telephone pole. Install an additional Right Turn Only sign at 7 Southway. Paint an additional white right turn only roadway marker.

6) Enforce existing traffic laws relating to bicyclists. Bicyclists are required to follow the rules, the laws of the road.

J W Thompson

## Harsh Vegetation Management

Earlier this summer, 13 Court Hillside was suddenly besieged by a number of GHI workers who showed up to clear a fire lane between units T and U. The problem was the abrupt and confrontational manner our trees and shrubbery were cleared.

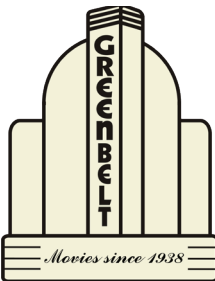
Math has its place, but to rely on it to reconfigure yard after yard into identical units simply doesn’t add up as improvement. Our quality of life suffers when each yard is systematically cut back to clearly visible chain link fencing.

Must every leaf be cleared away and eliminated? Is it necessary to enforce this utilitarian assault, for looks? This stripped-down institutional approach reeks of austerity gone mad. Our garden town was envisioned with shady trees and walking paths, gardens, meadows and playgrounds – appeals from the living world, not from industrial conveyor belts in factories.

What’s to become of the blue jays, cardinals, luna moths, the butterflies and bees? What’s to become of their homes and

food? Surely they and we deserve more than chainsaws and unannounced raids. Moving forward, we hope GHI will co-operate with us to manage our green spaces, instead of using a power-mad, top-down approach in contrast to GHI’s neighborhood ideals.

Jean Newcomb



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**The Apartment** (NR) (1960)  
(125 mins)  
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**Prince: Sign o’ the Times**  
(PG-13) (1987) (85 mins)  
Wed. 8:00 PM

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(2023) (90 mins)  
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Sat. 5:30 PM, 8:00 PM  
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Mon. 2:45 PM (OC)  
Tues. 4:45 PM in Screen 1  
Wed. 5:45 PM  
Thurs. 7:15 PM

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| Free Water        | —            | ✓                   |
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| Book Sale         | —            | ✓                   |
| Art Show          | —            | ✓                   |
| Funny Characters. | ✓            | ✓                   |

PETE REPPERT

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## On Screen at Old Greenbelt Theatre

### Golda

Golda is a ticking-clock thriller set during the tense 19 days of the Yom Kippur War in 1973. Israeli Prime Minister Golda Meir (Helen Mirren), faced with the potential of Israel’s complete destruction, must navigate overwhelming odds, a skeptical cabinet and a complex relationship with U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger (Liev Schreiber), with millions of lives in the balance. Her tough leadership and compassion would ultimately decide the fate of her nation and leave her with a controversial legacy around the world.

### Jules

The film follows Milton (Ben Kingsley), who lives a quiet life of routine in a small western Pennsylvania town, but finds his day upended when a UFO and its extraterrestrial passenger crash-land in his backyard. Before long, Milton develops a close relationship with the extraterrestrial he calls “Jules.” Things become complicated when two neighbors (Harriet Sansom Harris and Jane Curtin) discover Jules and the government quickly closes in. What follows is a funny, wildly inventive ride as the three neighbors find meaning and connection later in life – thanks to this unlikely stranger.

### The Apartment

Insurance worker C.C. Baxter (Jack Lemmon) lends his Upper West Side apartment to company bosses to use for extramarital affairs. When his manager Mr. Sheldrake (Fred MacMurray) begins using Baxter’s apartment in exchange for promoting him, Baxter is disappointed to learn that Sheldrake’s mistress is Fran Kubelik (Shirley MacLaine), the elevator girl at work whom Baxter is interested in himself. Soon Baxter must decide between the girl he loves and the advancement of his career.

### Prince: Sign o’ the Times

Highlights from Prince’s 1987 European concert tour, including selections from the rock star’s album of the same title. Says critic Dave Kehr of the Chicago Tribune, “The utopian rocker, whose manner and music promise a blissful, dreamy union of the races and the sexes, doesn’t need a story line to communicate his meanings, which remain by pop standards unusually complex and considered.”



# Community Events

## Labor Day Festival Seeks Volunteers

The Greenbelt Labor Day Festival is organized as a labor of love by a hard-working team of volunteers. They need your help. To volunteer, come to the committee's meeting on Tuesday, August 29 at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Center. Or stop by the Information Booth during the Festival to find out what needs to be done. Learn how to join next year's Committee. For more information, email [greenbeltlaborday@gmail.com](mailto:greenbeltlaborday@gmail.com).

## Retro Town Fair Returns September 3

Consider sharing your lovely items with the community through the annual Retro Town Fair, to be held on the Greenbelt Museum grounds on Sunday, September 3. All the traditional categories that have been so popular over these many years will be included.

Entries will be accepted on the morning of the Fair at the Greenbelt Museum, as in years past. Judges are excited to taste, touch and inspect many amazing entries this year. After the judging is finished and ribbons affixed to winners, the public is invited to come view the entries from 1 to 4 p.m. The historic Museum house will be open for quick free tours from 1 to 4, and Museum board members will welcome visitors into the future Education and Visitor Center at 10-A Crescent Road to share plans and updates. Further details and entry forms will be coming in late August.

For more information email Greenbelt Museum Education and Volunteer Coordinator Sheila Maffay-Tuthill at [education@greenbeltmuseum.org](mailto:education@greenbeltmuseum.org).



## Calling All Pets



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Members of Girl Scout Troop 23007 judge pets at the 2022 Labor Day Festival

Floppiest ears? Most cuddly? Most energetic? What makes your pet special? Bring your dog, cat, hamster, rabbit, snake or other pet to the Labor Day Festival's Children and Teen Pet Show on Saturday, September 2 at 9:30 a.m. on the Community Center lawn. Rain or shine. Sponsored by Girl Scout Troop 23007.

## Labor Day Festival Seeks Art and Photos

Adults and children are invited to enter their artwork and photos in the Labor Day Festival Art Show and Photo Show. Visit [greenbeltlaborday.com](http://greenbeltlaborday.com) to see categories and other information. Drop-off is at the Community Center gym on Wednesday, August 30 from 5 to 8 p.m.

At the Festival, the art and photos can be viewed in the gym on Saturday and Sunday between 1 and 6 p.m., and on Monday from noon to 4 p.m. Winning artwork will have ribbons displayed, and visitors can vote for their community favorites on Saturday and Sunday.

## Information Day Seeks Participants

Greenbelt Labor Day Festival's annual Information Day is a great opportunity for clubs, businesses or organizations to showcase the heart and soul of each group without the pressure of making sales. It's all about building connections, fostering community spirit and sharing stories. Engage with festivalgoers, make new friends and let enthusiasm shine.

Information Day is on Saturday, September 2 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Roosevelt Center. There is a \$35 registration fee. The focus should be on community engagement – sales are not permitted. For more information and to apply, visit [bit.ly/sept2infoday](http://bit.ly/sept2infoday).

## Participants Sought For Labor Day Parade

The annual Labor Day Festival Parade will take place on Monday, September 4 from 10 a.m. to noon. Community, school and other groups, local businesses, political incumbents and candidates are invited to submit a Parade registration form, obtainable from [greenbeltlaborday.com](http://greenbeltlaborday.com). Register no later than Saturday, August 26. Create a float, put together a performance, show off an antique or otherwise unique vehicle, or simply march together displaying signs advertising your group. There will be prizes.

Blue ribbon winner at the Retro Town Fair



PHOTO BY SHEILA MAFFAY-TUTHILL

## Greenbelt Police Host Giveaway

Greenbelt Police Department will be hosting another steering wheel lock giveaway for Hyundai and Kia owners, on Saturday, August 26 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Police Station, 550 Crescent Rd.. Proof of Greenbelt residency is required. Must bring ID/vehicle registration.

## Register for Monthly Free Produce

Starting September 21, all recipients of the free produce distribution will need to have a card to participate. How can people get a card? Attend one of the events below to pick up a card: Tuesday, August 29, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center, 6101 Cherrywood Lane;

Wednesday, September 6, noon to 6 p.m. at the Community Center, 15 Crescent Road, Ground Floor East;

Thursday, September 7, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Community Center, 15 Crescent Road, Ground Floor East.

For questions or more information, email Katherine Farzin at [kfarzin@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:kfarzin@greenbeltmd.gov).

## Chess Club Meets

The Greenbelt Chess Club will meet on Monday, August 28 from 6 to 8 p.m. in the New Deal Café. The group meets on the second, third and fourth Mondays of each month.

This group is for all ages and skill levels. For more information, call Effie at 443-415-1053.

## Golden Age Schedule Change

There will be no meeting on August 30 due to all of the set-up activities for the Labor Day Festival that will be taking place in the building and surrounding parking lots.

Remember that there will be a bake sale on Saturday morning, September 2 on the Co-op Supermarket ramp. Remember to bake and bring some goodies.

## New Deal Café Hosts Sixth Jazz Festival

The 6th Annual Greenbelt Jazz Festival will syncopate the Roosevelt Center and New Deal Café on Saturday, August 26 from noon to 11 p.m. This year's performers include Not 2 Cool Jazz Trio from noon to 1 p.m., the New Orleans Express from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., Seth Kibel from 3 to 4 p.m., Brother Bill Quintet from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m., Susan Jones Quartet from 6 to 7 p.m., Jan Knutson from 7 to 8 p.m. and Vibe Collective from 8 to 11 p.m. A great day of music for all.



## Astronomical Society Meets on August 31

The Astronomical Society of Greenbelt will meet on Thursday, August 31, at 7:30 p.m. in Room 114 of the Community Center and online through Zoom. Kevin A. Wilson will present an Intro to Amateur Spectroscopy. He will discuss the theory behind studying the spectra of stars, describe what can be learned from such a study and demonstrate how amateurs can explore this field on their own. The link to the Zoom session for the meeting will be made available before the meeting on the calendar page of the Astronomical Society's website at [greenbeltastro.org](http://greenbeltastro.org).

## Senior Nutrition Program Luncheon

The Senior Nutrition Food and Friendship program provides lunch for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center beginning at 11 a.m. Meals must be reserved one week ahead so that enough food is ordered. Call 301-397-2208 ext. 4215.

Two menu options, one vegetarian, will be offered for each luncheon. All meals, which provide at least one-third of Recommended Dietary Allowances for older adults, include margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk.



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Join or renew your membership. Go to [www.newdealcafe.com](http://www.newdealcafe.com), click on "ABOUT", then "BECOME A MEMBER OR RENEW."

\*For more information on these and other events, visit the NDC CALENDAR page on our website.

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Three Guys Named Mike (1951)

Starring: Howard Keel as Mike, Barry Sullivan as Mike, Van Johnson as Michael, and Jane Wyman as Marcy. Three Guys Named Mike is a must-see screwball comedy, chock-full of adventure, hilarity, romance, and Mikes!

New This Month

TeaFairy & Friends StoryTime Adventures - Nathaniel English

Join us for more sing-along and storytime fun! This episode, the third from Season 3, spotlights author Michelle Person of Just Like Me! Books and her Nathaniel English series, and features a fun new song by Rhiannon's Lark!

All this and more on the GATe channel this week! Check [greenbeltaccessstv.org](http://greenbeltaccessstv.org) for the full broadcast schedule, and visit Greenbelt Access Television on YouTube for new video productions.



In Memoriam

# Dawn Marie Arnold Payne

by Dee Vaughn

I learned only a couple of months ago of Dawn Payne’s death on December 23, 2021, from lung cancer. In honor of her upcoming birthday, I put together the obituary below (her family was unable to write one at the time) and offer some fond memories of our time together over the years.

Dawn Arnold was born on August 23, 1960, and grew up in Greenbelt on Ridge Road near Centerway. She went to Mary Bethune Junior High School and attended Massanutten Military Academy for her first year of high school. She then transferred to Parkdale High School for 10th grade (1975-76) before being shuttled to a different school, the newly-built Eleanor Roosevelt High School (1976-77), where she graduated in the summer of 1977, ahead of our class. Dawn married Steve Payne in 1979 and gave birth to daughter Michelle in 1980 and son Daniel in 1983.

She was predeceased by her parents, Frances and Gerald Arnold; daughter Michelle Lynn Payne-Jean; and husband Steve Payne. Dawn is survived by her son Daniel Stephen; granddaughter Brianna Lilly; sister Laura Seilhamer; son-in-law Rodney Jean; and Sarah Coole-Kneale.

I met Dawn in junior high school. We were best friends for about a decade. Our paths



PHOTO COURTESY THE FAMILY

Dawn Marie Arnold Payne

diverged a bit when she married and began a family but we still visited and kept in touch through phone calls. Dawn had an infectious smile and an artistic sensibility. She was an easy conversationalist and we enjoyed meeting at the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival or sharing a pizza at Joe’s.

Although we kept in touch only sporadically in the last 10 to 20 years, she was always just an email, a text or a phone call

away, until she wasn’t. Our last texts were on her birthday in 2021. Had I reached out to her in 2022, I would have found out sooner that she had died.

I miss her. She was a good friend and I will always remember her wonderful smile and laugh.



## Memorial Service For Past Residents

A brief service will be held on Saturday, September 2 at 6 p.m. near the grassy area behind the Mother and Child Statue by the Greenbelt Interfaith Leadership Association to commemorate Greenbelt residents who died from September 1, 2022 to August 15, 2023. Bring a chair or blanket to sit on.



Our thoughts and best wishes for a smooth recovery are with Kathleen Gallagher of 6 Court Ridge Road, a longtime News Review reporter, who is currently receiving inpatient rehabilitation at Hillhaven Nursing & Rehabilitation Center on Powder Mill Road, Adelphi, as she recovers from breaking her hip.

Sorry to learn of the death of Dawn Marie Arnold Payne who died on December 23, 2021.

Send details of your news to [editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com](mailto:editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com).



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For further information, call (301) 474-4223 [www.mishkantorah.org](http://www.mishkantorah.org)

Affiliated with these movements: Conservative and Reconstructing Judaism

The Bible Says...

The Lord is my light and my salvation;  
Whom shall I fear?  
Psalm 27:1a



IN PERSON Sunday Worship Services  
10a-11:15a @ Greenbelt Elementary School  
(66 Ridge Rd.)

[MCFcc.org](http://MCFcc.org)

## St. John's Episcopal/Anglican Church

11040 Baltimore Avenue Beltsville, MD 20704

301-937-4292 [www.saintjohnsbeltsville.org](http://www.saintjohnsbeltsville.org)

The Reverend Joseph M. Constant, Rector

Join us for In-Person Worship every Sunday at 10 AM

Youth Sunday School 11:15 AM

To view services online:

Go to <https://www.facebook.com/StJohnsZionParish/Live/>

Other services online via Zoom: Wednesday Noonday;

Thursday Bible Study and Compline 7 PM via Zoom

Please contact the church office if you are interested in any of these resources.

Our Mission: To share God’s love with everyone to bring hope and change lives.

## Greenbelt BAPTIST CHURCH

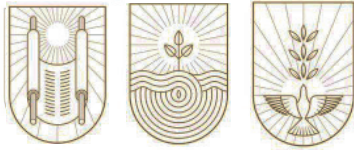
Christ-centered  
Biblical  
& Reformed

Sunday Morning Worship 10:30am

Sunday School 9:15am

Wednesday Night Bible Study 7:00pm

101 Greenhill Rd. Greenbelt, MD  
[www.greenbeltbaptist.org](http://www.greenbeltbaptist.org)



## Greenbelt Community Church

One Hillside Road

We are an  
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Church



UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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and Church School

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[www.greenbeltcommunitychurch.org](http://www.greenbeltcommunitychurch.org)

## ST. HUGH OF GRENOBLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

- Daily Mass: Mon-Fri 7:15am\*, Sat 9am\*
  - Sunday Mass:
    - Sat vigil 5pm\*
    - Sun 8am, 9:30am, 11am
  - Confessions Saturday 3pm - 4pm.
- Masks for the unvaccinated encouraged.

\*Live streamed on Facebook and available on our YouTube page later.

CELEBRATE WITH US

135 Crescent Rd.

[www.sthughofgrenoble.org](http://www.sthughofgrenoble.org)



## Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church

40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt



Open hearts, Open minds, Open doors

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301-474-9410

Pastor Evelyn Romero

In-Person Worship Service 9:30 a.m.

Come as you are



## Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church



3215 Powder Mill Road, Adelphi  
Phone: 301-937-3666 [www.pbuuc.org](http://www.pbuuc.org)

Welcomes you to our open, nurturing community

August 27, 2023 at 3:00 p.m.

Enduring Change

with Worship Associate Jacqui Walpole

“The only lasting truth is change,” wrote the prophet Octavia Butler thirty years ago. We might offer additional lasting truths, but these days the unceasing change in our world and our lives often seems to be both increasingly obvious and harder to bear. What does it mean to be Unitarian Universalists, and people of this church, in such a time?

Streaming to our Facebook page, on Zoom and in person at 3:00 at: University Christian Church, 6800 Adelphi Road, Hyattsville, MD



## Classes to Become CATHOLIC Begin in the Fall

To Register Visit  
[www.sthughofgrenoble.org](http://www.sthughofgrenoble.org)

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# City Information & Events

The strength of Greenbelt is diverse people living together in a spirit of cooperation. We celebrate all people. By sharing together all are enriched. We strive to be a respectful, welcoming community that is open, accessible, safe and fair.

## GREENBELT CITY CALENDAR

Be sure to check out the City calendar for all up to date events at [greenbeltmd.gov/calendar](http://greenbeltmd.gov/calendar).



### MEETINGS FOR AUGUST 28 - SEPTEMBER 1

Monday, August 28 at 7:30 pm, **WORK SESSION - GREENBELT STATION HOA (STAKEHOLDER)**

Tuesday, August 29 at 3:30 pm, **SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**, *On the Agenda: Approval of Minutes for May 30, Not for Seniors Only Review, Open Forum - September 23, GAIL Updates (Food Distribution, Lunch Program, Other Programs), Adjourn*

Wednesday, August 30 at 7:30 pm, **WORK SESSION - PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD REPRESENTATIVE**

Thursday, August 31 at 7 pm, **COMMUNITY RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD**, *On the Agenda: Selection of a Chair, Selection of a Best Night to Meet Each Month, Current Status of Firearms Data Gathering*

Thursday, August 31 at 7:30 pm, **SPECIAL MEETING/CLOSED SESSION - PROCESS FOR FILLING THE UPCOMING VACANCY ON CITY COUNCIL**

*In advance, the hearing impaired is advised to use MD RELAY at 711 to submit your questions/comments or contact the City Clerk at (301) 474-8000 or email [banderson@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:banderson@greenbeltmd.gov). This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call (301) 474-8000. For information on public participation for the meetings above, visit the meetings calendar at [www.greenbeltmd.gov/calendar](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/calendar).*

### OFFICIAL NOTICE

In accordance with Section 3-305(b)(1) of the General Provisions Article of the Annotated Code of the Public General Laws of Maryland, a closed session of the Greenbelt City Council will be held virtually via Zoom on Thursday, August 31, 2023, to discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom this public body has jurisdiction; any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the process for filling the upcoming vacancy on City Council.

*\* The public may attend the Special Meeting prior to the closed session and observe the vote of the Council to move into the closed session on Thursday, August 31, 2023.*

Bonita Anderson, City Clerk

Looking to volunteer within your community? Join one of the City's committees & boards! Call (301) 474-8000.

### MICRO GRANTS, ROUND II

The City of Greenbelt Micro Grant is a one-time, matching, reimbursable grant intended to be a resident-led initiative aimed at building community and engaging new people across neighborhoods. The objective of the Micro Grant is to help strengthen relationships between neighbors, cultivate the spirit of volunteerism, connect residents, increase civic participation, celebrate community, and to encourage lasting community engagement.

For more information about the Greenbelt Micro Grant including guidelines and application, visit [www.engagegreenbelt.org/grants](http://www.engagegreenbelt.org/grants).

### CITY ELECTION INFORMATION VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE FOR CITY ELECTION OCTOBER 9, 2023

Greenbelt residents are reminded that to participate in the 2023 City Council election—whether as a voter, a candidate for City Council, or a signer of a petition for a candidate—you must be qualified to vote in Prince George's County.

**To register, you must:**

- Be a citizen of the United States of America
- Be at least 16 years of age
- Be domiciled within the corporate limits of the City of Greenbelt as of the date of registration
- Not have been convicted of a felony, or if you have, you have completed serving a court-ordered sentence of imprisonment, including any term of parole or probation for the conviction
- Not be under guardianship for mental disability

### VOTER REGISTRATION

For information about registering to vote in Prince George's County, contact the County Board of Elections at 301-430-8020 or visit [www.elections.state.md.us](http://www.elections.state.md.us). Forms for voter registration and address and name change are available on the city website, [www.greenbeltmd.gov](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov).

All forms must be received by the County Board of Elections in Upper Marlboro **no later than 4:30 pm, Monday, October 9.**

For additional information, contact Bonita Anderson, City Clerk at (301) 474-8000 or [elections@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:elections@greenbeltmd.gov).

*If you are already registered to vote in Prince George's County but have moved or changed your name since the last election, you must complete an application to have this information changed. \*\*This can also be done online at [www.elections.state.md.us](http://www.elections.state.md.us).*

### CURRENT FREE CARES PROGRAMS

**EMERGENCY DIAPER PROGRAM**  
Supporting Greenbelt families in need of diapers. Greenbelt residents only, you must sign-up each month.  
To register: <https://forms.gle/xMhpkL765xGdN2W56>.  
Questions? Call (240) 542-2019.

**NURSING PROGRAM**  
**Starts in mid September**  
Services include bathing assistance, medication management, and more. Contact Sharon Johnson at (240) 542-2029 or [sjohnson@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:sjohnson@greenbeltmd.gov).

**MY GROCERIES TO GO**  
Limited slots available. Participants 60+ will receive a monthly grocery box. Ccontact Brendy at (240) 424-0302 or [bgarcia@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:bgarcia@greenbeltmd.gov).

**POWERFUL TOOLS FOR CAREGIVERS**  
**Session 7 - September 19 - October 31**  
This 6-week class series helps caregivers take better care of themselves while caring for a friend or relative.

**HELP LOWERING HOUSEHOLD EXPENSES**  
Need help lowering household expenses? Call or email to see if you qualify to apply for Energy or Water Assistance, Renters', Homeowners', Senior or Home Modification Tax Credit programs. We will help you complete the program applications and mail them off.  
Contact Dominique Kheav [dkheav@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:dkheav@greenbeltmd.gov) or (301) 615-1225.

### STRESS SURFING

Three weekly session programs focus on the science of stress and stress management techniques that can be utilized in daily life to enhance overall well-being. To register, <https://forms.gle/K1ipaZusd5zPdW1L7> or call (240)424-0302.

### PEACE PROGRAM

The PEACE program is geared toward helping individuals with chronic pain and their caregivers by using evidence-based strategies to self-manage pain that can be supplemental to existing prescribed pain management treatment received from healthcare professionals. To register, <https://forms.gle/qDGjWqBryUPeyNFL8> or call (240) 424-0302.

### JAMES HENDERSON GENERATIONAL LEGACY PLANNING

The presentation will allow the audience to understand what the generational transfer of assets, values, and goals is, which is not a natural process but requires planning. The presentation will also discuss (1) defining family culture, (2) setting family goals, (3) learning key financial concepts, and (4) preparing beneficiaries for their inheritance.  
To register: [bit.ly/3DKJKfx](https://forms.gle/bit.ly/3DKJKfx) or call (240) 424-0302.

### DEALING WITH BEHAVIORAL ISSUES OF DEMENTIA SEMINAR

You will learn to identify many of the underlying causes of dementia-related behaviors. Acquire the tools needed to respond in ways that are helpful. Develop a plan to address the issues.  
To register: [bit.ly/3QJxTV](https://forms.gle/bit.ly/3QJxTV) or call (240) 424-0302.

### STAGING COGNITIVE DECLINE

Join us as we look into the different staging scales and what this means we can expect (or not expect!). What stage is my loved one at? Understanding more about the stages of Alzheimer's disease and what to expect can help us provide better support to meet our loved ones' needs. To register: [bit.ly/440Z4j1](https://forms.gle/bit.ly/440Z4j1) or call (240) 424-0302.



### BUDDY ATTICK PARK MASTER PLAN COMMUNITY SURVEY

The City of Greenbelt would like your participation to help determine priorities for improvements to Buddy Attick Park. Your input will help guide City staff in planning and managing the park well into the future. This survey should take approximately 5 minutes to complete.

To take the survey, scan the QR code to the right or visit <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/buddyattickpark>.



SURVEY LINK

### CITY ELECTION INFORMATION Dates & Deadlines for 2023 City Council Elections

|  |       |
|--|-------|
| First day to receive papers and file nomination petition                     | 8/21  |
| Last day to file nomination petition (5 pm)                                  | 9/26  |
| Date of drawing for placement on ballot (7:30 pm)                            | 9/26  |
| First interim Campaign Contributions & Expenditures Report (by 12 pm)        | 9/29  |
| First day to send out mail-in ballots  | 10/06 |
| Last day to register to vote (must be received by 4:30 pm in Upper Marlboro) | 10/09 |
| Second interim Campaign Contributions & Expenditures Report (by 12 pm)       | 10/27 |
| Early voting begins  | 11/04 |
| Training session for election judges and clerks                              | 11/06 |
| Election (7 am - 8 pm)   | 11/07 |
| Mail-in ballots must be received (by 6 pm)                                   | 11/07 |
| Final Campaign Contributions & Expenditures Report (12 pm)                   | 11/10 |
| Charter meeting for swearing-in (7:30 pm)                                    | 11/13 |

For additional information, contact Bonita Anderson , City Clerk, at (301) 474-8000 or email [banderson@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:banderson@greenbeltmd.gov).

### GREENBELT LITTLES PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

Does your pre-school aged child enjoy helping you cook, like exploring, and love to learn? Then check out Greenbelt Recreation's preschool program Greenbelt Littles Preschool.

Greenbelt Littles Preschool is a licensed traditional preschool program that focuses on social development, fine and gross motor skills, listening, and following instructions. Greenbelt Littles has a heavy emphasis on learning in a fun way! We offer preschool our program Monday through Friday at the Youth Center. Financial aid is available for eligible Greenbelt residents.

For more information, please visit our Virtual Recreation Center online at [www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation) or give us a call at (301) 397-2200.

### CITY ELECTION INFORMATION Nominations for 2023 Regular City Election

In accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter, a regular election will be held in the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, on Tuesday, November 7, 2023, to elect the seven members of the City Council.

Any qualified voter of the City may be nominated for the office of Member of Council upon filing a nomination petition with the City Clerk (signed by not fewer than 50 Greenbelt resident voters), a written acceptance of the nomination, and other statements that are required by the City Charter or by law. Required forms and information are available at 25 Crescent Road, beginning Monday, August 21, from 8:30 am until 4:30 pm.

**NOMINATIONS WILL BE  
ACCEPTED FROM MONDAY,  
AUGUST 21 THROUGH TUESDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 26, 2023.**

For additional information, call Bonita Anderson, City Clerk, at (301) 474-8000, or e-mail [banderson@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:banderson@greenbeltmd.gov).

### CHANGES TO FREE PRODUCE DISTRIBUTION!

To better serve our community, we are transitioning to Service Insights, a paperless intake system. **You will need to have a card in order to participate in future Produce Distribution, starting September 21, 2023.**

**How do you get a card?** Attend ONE of the events below to pick up your card:

**August 29, 2023, 10 am - 3 pm.**  
Spring Hill Lake Recreation Center, 6101 Cherrywood Lane

**September 6, 2023, 12 - 6 pm**  
Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Rd, Ground Floor East

**September 7, 2023, 10 am - 3 pm**  
Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Rd, Ground Floor East



School News

SCHOOLS continued from page 1

Fairmont Heights High School at 6501 Columbia Park Road, Landover, or Oxon Hill High School at 6701 Leyte Drive, Oxon Hill, between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Space is on a first-come, first-served basis, limited to 100 students a day per site. Learn more at [pgcps.org/immunizations](https://pgcps.org/immunizations).

Transportation

In light of the continued shortage of bus drivers regionally and nationally, PGCPS is asking for patience during the first weeks of school. They also ask families to update phone numbers, emails and emergency contact info in SchoolMax. To view your bus stop, use their Infofinder tool. Transportation questions can be submitted online. This school year, students can also ride The-Bus operated by Prince George’s County to school for free with their school ID. No registration is required. View school routes here [pgcps.org/transportation](https://pgcps.org/transportation).

Free and Reduced Lunches

For information about eligibility and applications for free and reduced lunches click the School Meals button on the back-to-school guide webpage.

Orientation Day

For the safety of students and staff, parents should not expect to be able to accompany students inside schools on the first day of class. They will have an opportunity to meet with teachers and staff and visit classrooms during orientations, which are held on Friday, August 25.

Calendar

The calendar for the school year can be found in various formats at [go.activecalendar.com/pgcps](https://go.activecalendar.com/pgcps).

Boundary Changes

Some students will be impacted by boundary changes this year. Sixty-four students currently attending Greenbelt Elementary School will be reassigned to Magnolia Elementary School, impacting students who reside in the area east of the Beltway between Greenbelt Road and Good Luck Road. Meanwhile, 204 students currently attending Greenbelt

Middle School will be reassigned – 200 will go to Buck Lodge Middle School and four will be within a new catchment area for William Wirt Middle School. Areas of Hollywood and College Park will no longer be zoned for Greenbelt Middle. To check if one’s zoning has changed under the new proposed boundaries, visit [wxyplanning.com/pgcps-boundary-tool-phase2](https://wxyplanning.com/pgcps-boundary-tool-phase2) and enter an address. For more on the boundary changes, see School Boundary Changes Impact Greenbelt Elementary and Middle, in the October 27, 2022, issue of the News Review.

Greenbelt Elementary

School hours are 9 a.m. to 3:20 p.m. Greenbelt Elementary has no uniform policy.

The principal is Joel Nelson and the vice principal is Tynetta Dempsey. This will be Dempsey’s first year at Greenbelt Elementary. She was previously special education program coordinator at High Bridge Elementary School.

Magnolia Elementary

School hours are 9:15 a.m. to 3:25 p.m. Magnolia Elementary School has a new principal, Sharelle Stagg, who was formerly assistant principal at Greenbelt Elementary, and new assistant principal, Jasmine Giddings, who was instructional lead teacher at Greenbelt Elementary. Magnolia has a mandatory uniform policy. Prekindergarten through fifth-grade students wear navy bottoms, yellow shirts and navy sweaters. In sixth grade students wear khaki skorts, pants or shorts and navy shirts and sweaters. The school supply list can be found at [pgcps.org/schools/magnolia-elementary/school--supply-list](https://pgcps.org/schools/magnolia-elementary/school--supply-list).

Springhill Lake Elementary

School hours are 7:45 a.m. to 1:55 p.m. The principal is Trena Wilson, assistant principal is Andrew Karnes and special education coordinator is Chris Wichtendahl. Springhill Lake Elementary has a mandatory uniform policy.

Students wear navy bottoms and white shirts. one can find out about more about the required uniform and the supply lists at the school’s website: [pgcps.org/springhilllake](https://pgcps.org/springhilllake).

Dora Kennedy  
French Immersion

School hours are 9:15 a.m. to 3:55 p.m. The principal is James Spence and vice principal is Sandrine Boukabara. There is no uniform policy.

Dora Kennedy’s beloved third-grade teacher, Mariame Sylla, is still missing from her Greenbelt home. The school sincerely thanks everyone who has communicated their concerns and prayers for the safe return of their colleague. On August 29, the second day of school, there will be a crisis team on site to assist any students and/or staff with processing this matter.

Dora Kennedy will implement a new intervention/incentive system for the purpose of setting the standard for community culture, called Cardinal Culture. The primary goal is to establish an adopted school culture characterized by monthly character attributes. Respectful language, respectful actions and effective communications are a few examples of attributes that will be the focus this year.

The school’s supply lists can be found by clicking the School Supplies on the school’s website, [pgcps.org/dorakennedy](https://pgcps.org/dorakennedy).

Greenbelt Middle

School hours are 9 a.m. to 3:40 p.m. The principal is Marcellus Clement and assistant principal for student services is Donovan Colding. Students can find their schedules on SchoolMax. In addition to the Talented and Gifted (TAG), ESOL, Creative Arts, World Language, Special Education and General Education Programs, Greenbelt Middle is going into its third year of the Chinese Immersion Program. The school will also continue with

Arts Integration and to focus on writing across all content areas. The school is committed to set a foundation of learning with and without technology, with a goal to have 60 percent of their learning through technology, while 40 percent is geared to hands-on learning. The theme for this year is Decades: Reverting Back to our Best Educational Self.

“We are embracing the theme of reboots where we are going back to the instructional foundations to be our best educational self,” said Principal Clement in a welcome back letter to families. Their Back to School Nights will

be September 18-21, from 6 to 7:45 p.m.; this will be in-person with a virtual option.

For the school’s uniform policy and a list of school supplies, click the appropriate buttons on [pgcps.org/schools/greenbelt-middle](https://pgcps.org/schools/greenbelt-middle).

Eleanor Roosevelt High

School hours are 8:45 a.m. to 3:25 p.m. The principal is Portia Barnes. There is no mandatory uniform for the school. Eleanor Roosevelt is impacted by the new backpack policy. Students must have a clear backpack for school. Mesh is not allowed.



PHOTO BY CAROLYN LARKIN

A deer rests in a backyard on Pinecrest Court.

Join us on the steps of Greenbelt Community Church to be a part of Worldwide Play Music on the Porch Day

Saturday, August 26  
1:00-4:00 p.m.  
One Hillside Road

CALL for POETS and VISUAL ARTISTS:  
Ekphrastic Fantastic Art Show

FONDCA (Friends of New Deal Café Arts) is seeking submissions for the show Ekphrastic Fantastic, which is scheduled to be displayed from October 30, 2023, to January 8, 2024, at New Deal Café!

Have you written a poem that lends itself to interpretation in a painting or drawing? Have you created a painting or drawing that would inspire a poet to write a companion piece? This might be the show for you!

We are seeking 15 artists and 15 poets to create pieces for this show.

Here’s how it works: poets and artists interested in participating submit a poem or a drawing or painting. We’ll select 15 poems and 15 paintings or drawings from the submissions. Each poem will be assigned to a visual artist and each piece of visual art will be assigned to a poet for creation of a new piece in response. Identities of the poets and artists will be secret until the show is hung.

Please send submissions to [julieawinters@verizon.net](mailto:julieawinters@verizon.net) by Friday, September 1. Poems should be sent as Word documents. For visual art, please send a good-quality photograph of the piece, along with title, dimensions, and description (mixed media, watercolor, pencil, etc.). Participants will receive confirmation of selection and assignment of pieces for creation of new art/poetry by September 11; the deadline for the new pieces is October 23.

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August 26, 2023

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**Additional Thanks To:** Greenbelt Police Department; Greenbelt Public Works; Greenbelt Recreation Department; Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department; Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket and Pharmacy; New Deal Café; The Bachelor and the Bad Actress; Griefcat; Greenbelt Honk! Situation

### 2023 Outstanding Citizen -

**Sponsors:** Fieldstone Properties, LLC. – Franklin Park, Greenbelt Credit Union, Rotary Club of Greenbelt

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## 2023 Labor Day Festival Committee

### GLDF Board

Linda Ivy – President  
Donna Peterson – Vice President,  
Craft Fair  
Diane Siegel and Doreen Clower –  
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Amy Knesel – Secretary,  
Information Day

Keith Zevallos – Photo Show, At-  
Large Board Member

### GLDF Committee

Mona Atari, Emily Cole, Jon Gardner,  
Davina Johnson, Brenna Lauer; Kathy  
Reynolds, Wayne Williams, Karen  
Yoho, Dave Zahren, and Robert Zugby

### City Liaisons to the Committee

Captain Jermaine Gullledge and Officer  
Abbey Kipke, Greenbelt Police  
Di Quynn Reno, Greenbelt Recreation  
Joe Mulhare and Matt Houchens,  
Greenbelt Public Works



**Shuttle bus service will be provided by O'Brien Bus Service.**  
**The shuttle will alternate between routes to pick up and  
drop off Festival goers approximately every 45 minutes.**

### Route 1:

Greenbelt Elementary School,  
Green Ridge House (residents only),  
Eleanor Roosevelt High School

Friday 6pm to 11pm;  
Saturday 10:30am to 11pm  
Sunday Noon to 11pm; Monday 1pm to 6pm

### Route 2:

Greenbelt Elementary School  
Springhill Lake Recreation Center Parking Lot  
Greenbelt Metro Kiss & Ride Lot  
Greenbelt Station Townhouses

Friday 6pm to 10pm; Saturday 3pm to 10pm  
Sunday 3pm to 10pm; Monday 9am to 5pm

At the Festival, the shuttle will depart from in front of the city offices and from Roosevelt Center. During the parade, the shuttle will depart from the Festival grounds (near the intersection of Crescent Road and Westway) and return parade participants to Buddy Attick Park.

# 69th Annual Greenbelt Labor Day Festival

**Friday, Sept. 1 through Monday, Sept. 4, 2023**



## CITY OF GREENBELT, MARYLAND

25 CRESCENT ROAD, GREENBELT, MD 20770



Labor Day Weekend 2023

**CITY COUNCIL**  
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Dear Festival-Visitor:

Welcome to the 69<sup>th</sup> Annual Greenbelt Labor Day Festival! The City of Greenbelt is honored to host this unique community celebration, which is one of the largest events of its kind in the State of Maryland and provides so much enjoyment to all its citizens. Many family and friend reunions occur during this special weekend. The festival also provides a great opportunity for many of our City's non-profit, service and religious organizations to participate and make themselves known to our residents and visitors.

This festival is organized and conducted by an independent volunteer group, the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee. These generous and dedicated citizens have worked long hours over the past year to ensure that we all have a wonderful time. We are grateful for their efforts and those of all the other community volunteers and City employees who make this event possible.

We hope you enjoy this weekend's festivities. Plan to come all four days and take full advantage of the wide range of activities being offered, from the Opening Ceremony and Concert on Friday evening to the Labor Day Parade on Monday. If you have any questions about the City of Greenbelt, please visit [www.greenbeltmd.gov](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov).

Best wishes for a great weekend!

*Emmett V. Jordan*  
Emmett V. Jordan, Mayor

*Kristen L.K. Weaver*  
Kristen L.K. Weaver, Mayor Pro-Tem

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Colin A. Byrd, Council Member, resigned effective August 25, 2023.

## Festival Hours

Friday – 6pm to 11pm  
Saturday – 11am to 11pm  
Sunday – Noon to 11pm  
Monday – 11am to 6pm



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The Greenbelt City Council, standing from left, Councilmembers Ric Gordon, Silke Pope, Colin Byrd, Rodney Roberts, and sitting from left, Councilmember Judith Davis, Mayor Emmett Jordan and Mayor Pro Tem Kristen L.K. Weaver



To receive updates on the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival, follow us on Facebook.



# Why Cook?

Relax Over the Weekend . . . Eat Out at the Festival!

## Food Booths in the Carnival Midway include:

*Food Fest:* Grilled Chicken on a stick, Veggie Fried Rice, Fruit Smoothies  
*Janguco Mobile Bar:* Virgin Mojito, Virgin Pina Colada, Coconut Lemonade  
*Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee:* Snoballs/Shaved Ice  
*Catalyst Hot Dogs:* Hot Dogs  
*Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt Democratic Club:* Funnel Cake, Boardwalk Fries  
*Good To Da Bone BBQ:* BBQ, Fried Fish, Onion Rings  
*Little Italy Sausage Company:* Mac N Cheese, Lemonade, Italian Sausage  
*Tropical Cuisine:* Jerk Chicken, Oxtail, Curry Chicken  
*Festival Concessions:* Boardwalk Fries, Chicken Tenders  
*Tea Zone:* Bubble Tea, Mangonada, Waffle Bowl with Ice Cream  
*Gyro Queen:* Falafel and Salad, Gyros, Hamburgers

Water and sodas available throughout the Festival. Bring a refillable water bottle and fill at restaurants, the Municipal Building, or the Aquatic Center.

## Carnival Midway Booths and Activities

Ride tickets AT THE FESTIVAL - \$1.00/each, \$20.00 for 25 tickets, and \$30.00 for the "All You Can Ride Wristband" for unlimited rides during certain times on ONE DAY ONLY. Choose to use the wristband between 11am to 5pm Saturday OR noon to 5pm Sunday. Prices subject to change without notice. No refunds. Discount wristband vouchers will be on sale for a limited time at Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket & Pharmacy. These \$20 vouchers can be redeemed at the Festival for the wristband on Saturday or Sunday. All you can ride Saturday (11am-5pm) OR Sunday (Noon-5pm). You can purchase at the registers with cash or credit!

No charge for entertainment, shows, or events unless noted.

*Greenbelt Elementary School PTA – Used Book Sale*  
*Greenbelt Nursery School: "Greenbelt is Great" T-Shirts, Easel Painting, Lollipop Pull*  
*Greenbelt Youth Baseball – Bingo*  
*Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee: Snoballs/Shaved Ice*  
*Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt Democratic Club: Funnel Cake, Boardwalk Fries*  
*Greenbelt Police Department – Information*  
*Greenbelt Animal Control – Information*  
*Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department & Rescue Squad & Ladies Auxiliary – Information*  
*Greenbelt Public Works – Information*

Rides by Rosedale Attractions. Booths constructed and wired by Greenbelt Public Works Department.

## The Greenbelt Labor Day Festival offers a unique opportunity for local residents to display their talents and creativity.

Art and photos will be displayed in the Community Center Gym.

### Art & Photo Show Schedule

**Saturday, September 2**  
**1-6pm**

Community Center Gym  
Show open (visitors can vote for Community Favorites)

**Sunday, September 3**  
**1-6pm**

Community Center Gym  
Show open (visitors can vote for Community Favorites)

**Monday, September 4**  
**Noon-4pm**

Community Center Gym  
Show open

**Monday, September 4**  
**Noon**

Festival stage  
Awards presented

**Monday, September 4**  
**4pm**

Community Center Gym  
Pick up photos/artwork (show organizers not responsible for unclaimed artwork/photos)

For full information  
and the digital entry  
form, visit [www.  
greenbeltlaborday.  
com](http://www.greenbeltlaborday.com)



Downtown Tumbao: Sunday, 2-4pm

## Welcome These Bands to the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival



Greenbelt Honk! Situation, Sunday, noon-1:30pm



Proverbs Reggae: Saturday, 2-4:30pm



Granny and The Boys

Granny and The Boys, Saturday, 5-7:30pm



# Monday, Sept. 4

- 9am -9pm GREENBELT MUSEUM EXHIBITION**  
Community Center, Room 110. "The Knowing Hands That Carve This Stone: The New Deal Art of Lenore Thomas Straus."
- 10am- Noon 67th ANNUAL GREENBELT LABOR DAY PARADE**  
The parade will entertain you with a variety of groups, demonstrating our community spirit and accentuating our city's diverse cultural background. The Greenbelt Police Department Color Guard will lead off the parade, which will include a pipe and drum corps, numerous local community groups and businesses, fire trucks and local politicians. The Grand Marshal is Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen. Master of Ceremonies will be Dave Zahren, host of "It's Academic." Parade Route: Down Crescent Rd. from Greenhill to Southway. Parade is marshaled by members of the Prince George's County Amateur Radio Emergency Service (PG-ARES) with assistance from the Eleanor Roosevelt High School National Honor Society.
- 11am-6pm CARNIVAL AND BOOTHS**  
Midway. Rides by Rosedale Attractions. Games, food, sale, and information booths presented by Greenbelt organizations. Booths constructed and wired by Greenbelt Public Works Department. Ride tickets sold by volunteers from the Eleanor Roosevelt High School National Honor Society. No charge for entertainment, shows, or events unless noted.
- 11am-6pm BINGO**  
Community Center Lawn. Head for the picnic tables in front of the Community Center for BINGO. Sponsored by Greenbelt Youth Baseball. Non-perishable food donations will be collected to support St. Hugh's food pantry.
- Noon-2pm LUNCHEON ON THE LAWN**  
Greenbelt Community Church, Corner of Hillside and Crescent Rd. After parade. Barbeque sandwich or hot dog, baked beans, slaw, chips, drink and dessert for one reasonable price.

- 12-2pm HISTORIC HOUSE TOURS**  
Museum House, 10B Crescent Road. Come by for a short tour of the Museum house. Tours offered on the half hour during open hours. See how a typical Greenbelt family would have lived in the late 30s to the early 50s.
- Noon-1pm AWARD PRESENTATIONS**  
Stage. Presentation of awards for the Art Show, Photo Show, Best Entry in each parade category and Best in Parade.
- Noon-4pm ART SHOW AND PHOTO SHOW**  
Community Center Gym - View entries submitted by local artist and photographers. Artists and photographers: pick up artwork and photos at 4pm.
- Noon-6pm CRAFT FAIR**  
Roosevelt Center. Visit with local artists as they display and sell their handmade crafts.
- 3-6pm FAST EDDIE AND THE SLOWPOKES**  
Stage. Fast Eddie and the Slowpokes' playlist is inspired by classic blues material from Chicago to West Coast Swing, Motown to Muscle Shoals, and all the rock 'n' roll in between. Their goal is to get you up on your feet, and they never miss their target!  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Auto & Truck Repair*
- 3-7pm GREENBELT AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY PICNIC**  
Greenbelt American Legion. After enjoying Labor Day Festival activities in Roosevelt Center, have fun at the American Legion Labor Day Family Picnic. Fun events for children and adults.



Fast Eddie and the Slowpokes



## Special Thanks To:

City of Greenbelt  
Greenbelt Police Department  
Greenbelt Public Works  
Greenbelt Recreation

The Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee would like to give a special thank-you to:

- Eleanor Roosevelt High School National Honor Society members who volunteer their time each year. We couldn't do it without you!

# Friday, Sept. 1

All events will take place in the Roosevelt Center parking lots unless otherwise noted. No advance registration is required unless stated. No alcoholic beverages will be sold at the Festival. City ordinances prohibit the consumption of alcoholic beverages in city parks, buildings and the Festival area.

In case of rain, stage events and some booth activities will be moved to the Community Center and the Youth Center. Carnival rides may close without refunds. For Festival information and a schedule, check Verizon Channel 21 and Comcast Channel 71 or see [greenbeltlaborday.com](http://greenbeltlaborday.com). Carnival directory signs are located at the Information Booth, Upper Lot Entry and Southway/Crescent Road entrance.

Avoid parking problems, ride the FREE Festival shuttle. The shuttle will pick up at various parking locations around Greenbelt (see shuttle schedule on page 8 for a complete listing) and deliver the riders to the Festival area.

This schedule is subject to change without notice. Questions? Call Festival Information at 301-675-0585 or visit the website at [greenbeltlaborday.com](http://greenbeltlaborday.com) or visit the Information Booth on the grounds.

- 9am -9pm GREENBELT MUSEUM EXHIBITION**  
Community Center, Room 110. "The Knowing Hands That Carve This Stone: The New Deal Art of Lenore Thomas Straus."
- 6pm ADULT TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT**  
Youth Center.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation*
- 6-10pm CARNIVAL MIDWAY OPENS**  
Midway. Rides by Rosedale Attractions. Ride tickets sold by volunteers from the Eleanor Roosevelt High School National Honor Society. No charge for entertainment, shows or events unless noted.
- 6-10pm BOOTHS**  
Games, food, sale, and information booths presented by Greenbelt organizations. Booths constructed and wired by Greenbelt Public Works Department.
- 6-10pm BINGO**  
Community Center Lawn. Head for the picnic tables in front of the Community Center for BINGO. Sponsored by Greenbelt Youth Baseball. Non-perishable food donations will be collected to support St. Hugh's food pantry.
- 6:30-7:15pm OPENING CEREMONIES**  
Stage. Police and color guard. Introduction of dignitaries. Presentation of Outstanding Citizen Award, the major civic event in Greenbelt each year, honoring all the outstanding citizens who make Greenbelt great. Sign language interpreter on stage.

- 7:15pm 2023 OUTSTANDING CITIZEN RECEPTION**  
Municipal Building, Council Meeting Room. Public is invited.

- 8-11pm ROCKABILLY REBELS** Stage. The Rockabilly Rebels are a four-piece group with two members who grew up in Greenbelt. Their show features the music of an era whose performers are as well known today as they were in their own time. Music from artists like: Elvis Presley, Carl Perkins, Chuck Berry, Johnny Rivers, George Jones, Johnny Cash, and bands like The Ventures, Santo and Johnny, The Surfaris, and many more.  
*Sponsored by Melanie Cantwell, Realtor, Long and Foster*



## Reduce, Reuse, Recycle at the Labor Day Festival

Please help green the Labor Day Festival!

The City of Greenbelt's Green Team will be on hand Saturday for Information Day.

Throughout the Festival grounds you'll find trash and recycling bins paired side by side with instructional decals.

Please bring your reusable water bottles to decrease plastic waste. You can fill them in restaurants and other places including the Municipal Building and Aquatic Center, whether or not they have the TapIt decal or water bottle flyer in store windows.





# Saturday, Sept. 2

- 9am -9pm GREENBELT MUSEUM EXHIBITION**  
Community Center, Room 110. "The Knowing Hands That Carve This Stone: The New Deal Art of Lenore Thomas Straus."
- 9-11am BRICKS AND BLOCKS WALKING TOUR**  
10-B Crescent Rd. This tour will highlight historic Greenbelt's domestic architecture, the "brick and block" homes that make up the majority of the original planned community. Your guide will show you how to "read" the brick and block homes and the tour will feature spots of historic interest that have not been featured on previous walking tours. The "Bricks and Blocks" Tour leaves from the Greenbelt Museum at 10-B Crescent Rd. and takes approximately 2 hours, including the Greenbelt Museum's orientation film. Additionally, guests will have the opportunity to visit the interior of the Greenbelt Museum's historic home after the walking tour. Space is limited and you must pre-register at [bit.ly/Greenbeltbricksandblocks](http://bit.ly/Greenbeltbricksandblocks).
- 9:30-10:30am CHILDREN AND TEEN PET SHOW**  
Community Center Lawn. All kinds, types, sizes of pets. Children and teens bring your pet to register at 9:30am. Judging and awards at 10am. Greenbelt's greatest pets get some well-deserved attention. Rain or Shine!  
*Sponsored by Girl Scout Troop #23007 of Greenbelt*
- 10am -4pm INFORMATION DAY & COMMUNITY EXHIBITS**  
Roosevelt Center. Visit the information and display tables set up by local groups and learn about your community!
- 10am DIAPER DERBY FOR CRAWLERS AND TODDLERS (3 YEARS AND OLDER)** Braden Field.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation*
- 11am-10pm BINGO**  
Community Center Lawn. Head for the picnic tables for BINGO benefiting Greenbelt Youth Baseball. Non-perishable food donations will be collected to support St. Hugh's food pantry.
- 10:30am BOOTHS -10pm**  
Midway. Games, food, sale, and information booths presented by Greenbelt organizations. Booths constructed and wired by Greenbelt Public Works Department.
- 10:45am BALLOON WADDLE RACE (ALL AGES)**  
Braden Field.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation*
- 11am WATER BALLOON TOSS (ALL AGES)**  
Braden Field.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation*



Johnny Seaton

- 11am-10pm CARNIVAL**  
Midway. Rides by Rosedale Attractions. Ride tickets sold by volunteers from the Eleanor Roosevelt High School National Honor Society.
- 11:30am PIE EATING CONTEST (ALL AGES)**  
Braden Field.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation*
- Noon-1:30pm KATY GAUGHAN DRUMMING FOR WELLNESS**  
Stage. Family-friendly community drum circle. All ages. No experience necessary. Drums will be provided for participants, although you are welcome to bring your own!  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Homes, Inc.*
- 1pm PHOTO SCAVENGER HUNT (ALL AGES)**  
Youh Center.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation*
- 1-6pm ART SHOW AND COMMUNITY PHOTO SHOW**  
Community Center Gym. View entries submitted by local artist and photographers. Vote for Community Favorites.
- 1-6pm COLLABORATIVE PAINTING ACTIVITY**  
Community Center, room 113. Community members of all ages are invited to make their mark and contribute to a work of art for public display. Non-washable, acrylic paints will be used; please wear your painting clothes. Adult-sized aprons are available.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation*
- 2pm 2-BALL TOURNAMENT (16 YEARS AND OLDER)**  
Youth Center Gym.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation*
- 2-4:30pm PROVERBS REGGAE BAND**  
Stage. Proverbs Reggae Band performs their original, socially conscious reggae music and popular classics by such greats as Bob Marley and others.  
*Sponsored by The People's Work Re-Election Committee for Ric Gordon*
- 3:30pm THREE-POINT CONTEST (12 YEARS AND OLDER)**  
Youth Center Gym.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation*
- 4:30pm FREE SCREENING - TOY STORY 4**  
Old Greenbelt Theatre. (Title subject to change)
- 4&6pm MEMORIAL GATHERING**  
Grassy area behind Mother and Child statue. Come to honor those friends and relatives who have passed. There will be a motorcycle ride at 4pm, followed by a memorial gathering at 6pm. Please feel free to bring flowers to lay on the hill during the memorial service.
- 5-7:30pm GRANNY AND THE BOYS**  
Stage. Don't miss D.C.'s #1 house band. Granny and the Boys are four middle-aged men on bass, guitar, drums, and vocals ... and one granny on keys.  
*Sponsored by Choice Clinical Services*
- 8-11pm JOHNNY SEATON**  
Stage. Johnny Seaton wows audiences with his electrifying performance of the music of Elvis Presley.  
*Sponsored by Roosevelt Center Merchant's Association*

# Sunday, Sept. 3

- 9am -9pm GREENBELT MUSEUM EXHIBITION**  
Community Center, Room 110. "The Knowing Hands That Carve This Stone: The New Deal Art of Lenore Thomas Straus."
- 9-11am "TOUR DE GREENBELT" BIKE RIDE**  
New Deal Cafe. Join Mayor Emmett Jordan, Mayor Pro Tem Kristen Weaver, and Jeff and Laurie Lemieux from Proteus Bicycles on a bike ride around Greenbelt. The ride will take place in two stages, both starting at the New Deal Cafe. The first stage will leave at 9am and go to Greenbelt Station neighborhood in Greenbelt West. The second stage will leave at approximately 10am and go to Schrom Hills Park. NOTE: this is not a supported ride and may not be suitable for families with very young children.
- 10am EGG SPOON RACE (ALL AGES)**  
Braden Field.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation*
- 10:15am SACK RACE (ALL AGES)**  
Braden Field.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation*
- 10:30am T-BALL (ALL AGES)**  
Braden Field.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation*
- 11am-7pm CRAFT FAIR**  
Roosevelt Center. Visit with local artists as they display and sell their handmade crafts.
- 11:30am WATER RELAY (ALL AGES)**  
Braden Field.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation*
- Noon-1:30pm GREENBELT HONK! SITUATION**  
Stage. Start your afternoon dancing with Greenbelt's newest community street band!  
*Sponsored by McCarl Dental Group*
- Noon-5pm COMMUNITY ART PROJECT**  
Festival grounds. "Who We Are: Making Connections" is a participatory community art project. Who are you, what do you like, and what do you do? Use yarn to mark your choices and help to weave a tapestry representing our community.
- Noon-10pm CARNIVAL AND BOOTHS**  
See Carnival Midway entries for Friday and Saturday.
- Noon -10pm BINGO**  
Community Center Lawn. Head for the picnic tables for BINGO benefiting Greenbelt Youth Baseball. Non-perishable food donations will be collected to support St. Hugh's food pantry.
- 1pm CHILDREN'S BINGO**  
Youth Center.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation*
- 1pm CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT (12 YEARS AND OLDER)**  
Braden Field.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation*
- 1-3pm COLLABORATIVE PAINTING ACTIVITY**  
Community Center, room 113. Community members of all ages are invited to make their mark and contribute to a work of art for public display. Non-washable, acrylic paints will be used; please wear your painting clothes. Adult-sized aprons are available.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation*
- 1-4pm RETRO TOWN FAIR**  
Museum House, 10B Crescent Road. Our Retro Town Fair is much like those the earliest Greenbelters enjoyed starting in 1939. Ribbons will be awarded for the best entries in a number of categories, including flowers, vegetables, baked goods, canned goods, and needlework/sewing. Entries accepted 10-11:30am. Winners on display 1-4pm. All items must be picked up between 4-5pm. All of the information to enter is on our entry form at [greenbeltmuseum.org](http://greenbeltmuseum.org).
- 1-5pm HISTORIC HOUSE TOURS**  
Museum House, 10B Crescent Road. Come by for a short tour of the Museum house. Tours offered on the half hour during open hours. See how a typical Greenbelt family would have lived in the late 30s to the early 50s.
- 1-6pm ART SHOW AND PHOTO SHOW**  
Community Center Gym. View entries submitted by local artists and photographers. Vote for Community Favorites.
- 2pm HOTSHOT (12 YEARS AND UNDER)**  
Youth Center.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation*
- 2pm YOUTH TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT (17 YEARS AND UNDER)**  
Youth Center.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation*
- 2pm FREE SCREENING - TOY STORY 4**  
Old Greenbelt Theatre. (Title subject to change)
- 2-4pm DOWNTOWN TUMBAO**  
Stage. Forged in Mexico City and now transplanted to Baltimore, Downtown Tumbao's sound is one of borderlands that merge Afro-Caribbean beats spanning Latin American styles and rhythms from Waltz Peruano to Guaracha, Samba Canção to Latin  
*Sponsored by Kim Kash of Compass*
- 4:30-7:30pm RISING STARS PERFORMANCE SHOWCASE**  
Stage. Performers will have the chance to display their talent. Come cheer on their performance.  
*Sponsored by National Cooperative Bank*
- 8-11pm THE NOWHERE MEN**  
Stage. Like to dance? Love that Motown sound, the great horn bands of the '60s and '70s and hits from artists like Earth, Wind & Fire; The Four Tops; Chicago; Stevie Wonder; The Temptations; Blood Sweat and Tears; Tower of Power and much more: Then you will love The Nowhere Men  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Unit #136, American Legion Auxiliary*



**Larry Noel 15K Race and 3K Fun Run Cancelled for 2023**



School News

## Greenbelt Middle Selected For Future Engineer Program

by Joan Jackson Lewis

In May, Greenbelt Middle School was notified that the school was selected to participate in a three-year pilot program, the Amazon Future Engineer program. BCauseICan is a local STEM community-based organization and is the program administrator. This program is supported by the Maryland Center for Computing Education and Project STEM, an Amazon partnership.

In addition, Patriot Technology Training Center, under the direction of Thurmont Jones, will

conduct after-school programming in the areas of cybersecurity and aerospace engineering. Through this program, students will learn STEM skills and applications that can be used in local scholarship competitions.

Greenbelt Middle School community is vibrant, and strives to expose students and their families to opportunities that can enhance their academic success and their futures.

*Joan Jackson Lewis is the Community Schools coordinator at Greenbelt Middle School.*

## County Schools Spent Over \$87,596 at Three Brothers

Some county public schools' expenditures are surprising.

In Prince George's County, the public school district spent \$87,596.83 at Three Brothers Italian Restaurants between Fiscal Years 2019 and 2022. To be more specific, the district spent \$55,321.53 at Three Brothers in Greenbelt during the 2018 to 2019 school year and another \$32,275.30 at the restaurant's Hyattsville location in the 2021 to 2022 school year.



A local news network report released on Monday shows PGCPs spent \$55,321.53 at this Three Brothers pizza restaurant in Greenbelt during the 2018-2019 school year.

The district appears to have a longstanding relationship with Three Brothers. While most school districts in the state didn't start reporting their vendor expenses to the state until 2019, Prince George's County has been doing so since 2012. Those older figures show the school district spent \$82,505.60 at Three Brothers in 2017 and 2018.

Asked for an explanation, Raven Hill, the district's associate superintendent for communications and community engagement, indicated that Three Brothers is a go-to caterer for school events.

"The catering expenses were

spent across many schools, generally for student celebrations and staff/family meetings," Hill said. "For context, schools often provide food at parent meetings to encourage attendance. Meals were also provided to students at several community schools (low-income population, wraparound services) as incentives."

*Information in this story was drawn from an article by Local News Network Director Jerry Zremski which he compiled based on reporting by Capital News Service reporters Sarah Meklikr, Christine Folivi and Zachary Intrater.*



## Alan Morales of ERHS Chosen For SADD National Council

Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) announced today that Alan Morales, of Greenbelt, has been named to the SADD National Student Leadership Council for the 2023- 2024 school year.

Chosen from a nationwide pool of highly qualified applicants, Morales joins 16 other students who will represent thousands of active SADD students from across the country. He has been a member of the SADD chapter at Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

"Alan's passion and commitment to the safety and well-being of his peers will make him a contributing representative for SADD's National Student Leadership Council," said Jessica Hug-



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dahl, SADD interim executive. "Drawing from his experiences on the state and local levels, Alan will be instrumental in providing insight to help create national strategies that address

the emerging and ever-changing health and safety issues facing our students."

The Council advises the SADD National Board of Directors on policies, programs and plans for the implementation of state and national strategies focused on youth health and safety. Morales will provide strategic support to the organization on health and safety priorities and will serve as a national and regional representative of the SADD network. He will serve as the chair of the Student Leadership Council's Leadership Development committee and prioritize a focus on student training and community engagement. He began his term on August 1.

## ERHS Student Attends Science and Tech Institute

Vanessa Gray, a student at Eleanor Roosevelt High School, was one of 43 high school students attending the Joint Science and Technology Institute (JSTI) East, an educational opportunity to expand their knowledge and experience in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM). The Institute is a two-week residential program in Maryland for current high school students, teachers and alumni of the JSTI program that exposes them to scientific research through hands-on projects.

Gray collaborated with scientists and was mentored by Department of Defense scientists and experts in STEM fields. They worked with their peers to com-

plete a hands-on research project in a professional lab setting. Project topics included: electronic and military packaging design, the science and art of storytelling, design engineering in the era of AI, cycling smarter not harder: a study in experimental design, flight design and dynamics, and mathematics and modeling mania.

The educational program, held July 15 to 28, was a fully-funded research opportunity for high school students from the U.S. and from U.S. Department of Defense schools around the world. It was sponsored by the Defense Threat Reduction Agency and managed by Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education. The program encouraged students to gain

confidence in their own abilities, increased STEM literacy and exposed students to the importance of STEM through hands-on research.

*Information in this story was drawn from a press release issued by the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education.*

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and distribution of chemicals in each pool, protecting swimmers’ health.

Storm-related power surges on Saturday, July 29 triggered back-to-back cooldowns of the projector in the Old Greenbelt Theatre’s main auditorium, during the second weekend of Barbenheimer, according to Lucy Cortez, operations manager and rental co-ordinator. Each cooldown, which prevents the bulb in the projector from exploding, takes about 10 minutes, so surges at 4:55 p.m. and 6:05 p.m. caused a half-hour of interruptions.

“It’s always funny to me,” said Cortez. “Whenever it’s predicted that there’s going to be rain is when we get more people.”

The U.S. Post Office on Ora Glen Drive lost power and was without internet for three days, according to Postmaster C. Tillery, after a power surge broke the internet service box. Staff were unable to make transactions until USPS IT personnel ordered and installed the part.

Brown, Cortez and Tillery each said outages are uncommon and highly dependent on weather.

But master electrician Steve Skolnik, of Greenbelt, said grid reliability “the consistent supply of electricity to meet demand” will become a “huge issue.”

The Maryland Department of the Environment identified “grid stability,” alongside reduced fossil fuel use, as a top priority in its June 2023 Maryland Climate Pathways Report and flagged intense storms as a particular threat climate change poses to the state.

Skolnik said that high winds and lightning strikes are the biggest threats to local electricity infrastructure. “As storms intensify, we’re seeing the kind of damage that you never used to see – but transition to cleaner energy, while necessary, will present additional challenges to grid reliability.” Large-scale use of electric vehicles and all-electric buildings increase electricity



The Mother and Child statue after a storm

PHOTO BY DAN GILLOTTE

demand, which requires electric utilities to increase their capacity.

“If you park a hundred electric school buses in a parking lot ... then the infrastructure you need to charge them all at the same time every day is going to be huge,” said Skolnik.

Because electric motors run more efficiently than gas and diesel engines, Skolnik believes that the transition is worth the cost of expanding grid capacity – even running on Pepco’s 2022 mix of less than 7 percent renewable energy sources in Maryland. According to the federal Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, EVs run at more than 77 percent efficiency, while gas-powered vehicles run at 12 to 30 percent. Heating buildings with electricity rather than oil and natural gas will also present challenges, according to Skolnik.

“What that really means is that we’re going to need bigger electric services for our buildings and more capacity integrated in order to feed all these heat pumps that we’re going to be putting in,” Skolnik said. “Well, that’s a challenge for the future for sure.” He went on to say that “keeping the power on will require planning and policymaking and the fact that we’ve all grown up completely taking for granted that the power is [always] going to be on is a mistake I think we need to correct.”

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sustainability while praising the park as a bulwark of the Greenbelt community.

“We’re here to listen,” said Tom McGilloway, planning director of the Baltimore-based landscape architecture and urban planning firm Mahan Rykiel Associates, whom the city has contracted to undertake the process.

McGilloway and Brian Trusty of PROS Consulting, the subcontractor on the project, asked attendees to provide input verbally and through live polls on their smartphones.

Attendees noted that the coarse gravel and rocks covering the lake trail exclude people using wheelchairs, the elderly and some with disabilities but that benches make the park more accessible to those with limited mobility.

Varda said Friday that the city will search for a material to make paths safe and accessible, while resisting erosion and maintaining stormwater permeability.

“We certainly don’t want to put stone that’s large enough that you can twist an ankle,” said Varda. “Nor do we want stones that move under your feet and could really cause somebody to get hurt. That’s something we really need to figure out.”

Attendees called for improved signage to mark the park’s multiple entrances, highlight side trails to access the park, such as the one linking Crescent Road and the parking lot from Boxwood Village and label entrances closed to cars.

One attendee noted that the park lacks signage in Spanish, and that all notices for the community meeting appeared to be in English.

Another attendee suggested signage to clarify rules of conduct on trails, such as right of way between pedestrians and cyclists.

After the meeting, Trusty echoed a need for “a consistent, more complete regimen for sig-



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The city is looking for community input on updating the Buddy Attick Park Master Plan using an online survey to be set up this week.

nage,” including wayfinding signs and “rules of the road.”

Community members voiced concern about the lake’s water quality, but Varda said the master plan will not address water quality directly. “This master plan is not specifically geared toward water quality of the lake,” he said, and told residents they’d need a different study for that. “Water quality will need to be studied separately and at this time there is no plan to do so,” Varda told the News Review.

Several community members noted repeated flooding on the south side of the lake, near Lakecrest Drive, after heavy rains, adding that the stagnant water attracts mosquitoes.

Larry Hilliard of Greenbelt, said that placing a recycling bin next to each trash can would encourage people to recycle.

Hilliard said of the lone trash cans, “You see them fill up with

bottles and cans. People want to do the right thing.”

The online survey, which will be available in English and Spanish by the end of this week, will be open through the month of September. McGilloway and Trusty said they will report back on survey results, present draft concepts and invite more feedback during a second community meeting later this year.

In a poll asking what’s missing in the park, an “accessible surface,” “more benches” and a “food forest” were among the popular responses. “Nothing” was also popular.

McGilloway voiced a commitment to preserving the park’s best qualities.

“A master plan isn’t always a framework for adding facilities,” he said. “Sometimes it’s a guide to keep you from doing the wrong thing.”



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# Police Blotter

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Greenbelt Police Department reported four domestic disputes and three mental health diversions.

### Vehicular Assault

On August 20 at 3:39 p.m. near 5510 Cherrywood Lane, a vehicle struck a building. A witness saw two Hispanic men get into a blue Toyota Corolla and drive into a salon, which suffered a broken window and damage to the window frame. The men fled in the vehicle. The fire department determined that the building structure was not compromised.

### Gang-related Vandalism/ Graffiti

On August 20 at 6:20 p.m. near 5900 Cherrywood Terrace, someone spray painted MS13 on the interior wall of a building.

### Disorderly Conduct

On August 20 at 5:59 p.m. near 10 Crescent Road, a man, apparently upset over a family dispute, yelled at a resident and clenched both fists attempting to instigate a fight, which caused an officer present to push him back. The man was advised multiple times to go home and leave the area. He told officers that he was not afraid to fight and would go to jail. He was then arrested for disorderly conduct and taken to the Greenbelt Police Station for processing, then transported to Upper Marlboro Department of Corrections.

### Trespassing

On August 17 at 2:16 a.m. near 7800 Hanover Parkway, a woman saw her closed but unlocked balcony door open and a hand reach through the door. She screamed and the suspect fled by jumping off the balcony and into an awaiting gray four-door sedan. Nothing was taken.

### DUI

On August 19 at 1:58 a.m. near Greenbelt Road and Hanover Parkway, officers conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle operating without tags; the temporary tag taped to the rear window had no results in the system. The driver's eyes were bloodshot, glassy and watery. The driver failed to produce registration. His speech was slurred and he had an odor of alcohol on his breath. The officer administered a standardized field sobriety test; the driver displayed multiple signs of impairment and was arrested on the suspicion of DUI.

On August 20 at 2:11 a.m. near 20 Southway, a vehicle had a suspended registration and a pick-up tag order. The driver had the odor of alcohol on his breath but said he had not been drinking. An open container of alcohol

was found behind his seat. The officer then administered a standardized field sobriety test; the driver displayed multiple signs of impairment and was arrested on the suspicion of DUI.

### Fraud

On August 19 at 8:32 p.m. near 7400 Greenbelt Road, a woman reported that someone used her Cash-App card to purchase food at a local restaurant. She called the restaurant and the person was still there waiting for the food. The police recovered the card, returned it and arrested the suspect, who said he had found the card on the ground in the parking lot.

### Missing Person Located

On August 18 at 2:09 p.m. near 5900 Cherrywood Terrace, a missing juvenile was later found safe by a family member.

### Theft

On August 17 at 4:41 p.m. near 6000 Greenbelt Road, an electric bicycle was locked to a post, but upon the owner's return it was no longer there. On August 17 at 8:21 p.m. near 6400 Ivy Lane, a woman dropped her luggage off and when she came back the bag was gone.

On August 15 at 2:15 p.m. near 7500 Greenbelt Road a customer left without paying for services provided. Commercial theft also occurred August 15 at 4:33 p.m. near 7500 Greenbelt Road; August 16 at 7:49 p.m. near 7495 Greenbelt Road; and August 17 at 7:08 p.m. near 6000 Greenbelt Road.

### Vandalism

On August 19 at 6:43 p.m. near 9100 Edmonston Road, a

bedroom window was broken by a rock; the suspect was riding a bike. Police checked the area.

### Vehicle Crimes Stolen Vehicles

Two stolen vehicles included: on August 15 near 7 Fayette Place, a Hyundai Elantra (MD 8CG9162); and on August 16 near 9100 Edmonston Road, a black 2008 Infiniti G35 (MD 7ER1262).

### Attempted Vehicle Theft

On August 15 at 3:19 p.m. near 10 Laurel Hill Road, a black Hyundai Accent (MD 70854CH) was found with damaged window and ignition. The car had not been reported stolen, and police attempted to contact the registered owner.

On August 17 at 7:56 a.m. near 5900 Cherrywood Terrace, a 2017 Hyundai Elantra was found with a damaged window, ignition and steering column.

On August 18 two cars had damaged windows and ignition: a 2016 Hyundai Elantra near 6600 Lake Park Drive, and a 2013 Kia Soul near 6900 Hanover Parkway.

### Vandalism, Theft, Attempted Theft

All four wheels/tires were stolen August 15 near 6400 Ivy Lane from a Nissan Altima; and August 17 near 5800 Cherrywood Lane from a 2017 Toyota Corolla.

On August 14 near 8001 Mandan Road, a 2007 Dodge Magnum had three tires flattened, both side mirrors damaged and hood scratched; Virginia tags were taken off the vehicle and later found in nearby trash. On August 14 near 22 Ridge Road,

a wallet was taken from an unlocked 2005 Chevrolet; and, near 7700 Mandan Road, a backpack was stolen from an unlocked 2011 Mercedes ML350. On August 15 near 6000 Cherrywood Court, a 2017 Volkswagen Jetta was vandalized with damaged windows, rear-view mirror, front fender and center console screen, seats torn, letters and logos removed and a child car seat stolen. On August 16 near 8205 Mandan Court, a 2011 Nissan Maxima had a damaged window, and a wallet containing credit cards and IDs was taken. On August 17 near 7400 Morrison Drive, a 2015 Lexus IS250 had a damaged window and a wallet containing cash stolen. On August 18 near 7400 Greenway Center Drive, a wallet, phone and camera were stolen from a 2018 Infiniti Q70 vehicle with no sign of forced entry. On August 20 near 33 Ridge Road, a 2008 Mercedes-Benz was rummaged through; the vehicle was possibly unlocked.

On August 16 several cars had damaged windows but nothing taken: a Honda Accord near 143 Westway, a 2018 Honda Fit

near 8150 Lakecrest Drive and a 2015 Hyundai Sonata near 9300 Edmonston Road. On August 17 near 8200 Canning Terrace, a Jeep Cherokee had a damaged window but nothing taken.

On August 16 near 6400 Cherrywood Lane, a parked vehicle had damage to the roof. On August 17 near 6000 Springhill Drive, a 2019 Toyota Highlander was spray-painted on the driver-side doors and windows.



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Sports

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by Patrick Gleason

A record-breaking 71 girls registered for the Eleanor Roosevelt High School girls soccer program this summer. Perhaps the excitement of two FIFA World Cups in eight months energized interest in local soccer or maybe the enthusiasm of last season's league and county championships for the Raiders caused the staggering turnout this season. Therefore, the Raiders will have 25 players on both their junior varsity and varsity squads, which began their pre-season with two scrimmages last week. The opening contest against Southern High School on August 15 served as an opportunity for new players to earn their spots on the talented rosters, while the August 17 victories over the Albert Einstein Titans allowed both teams to tinker with their lineups.

Longtime assistant coach AJ Sesay will guide the junior varsity this season and has 17 freshmen joining the program. They didn't disappoint in the 2-1 comeback victory over Einstein, with ninth-graders Alima Kargbo and Treasure Wogu scoring, while classmate Ariana Cruz tallied an assist. The team sports an eclectic roster with players from middle schools including Greenbelt, Thomas Johnson, Hyattsville, Kettering, Dora Kennedy, Samuel Ogle and Martin Luther King. Sophomore Zeala Tantoh will mind the Raider goal this season, while sophomores Iris Gaycken and Yadira Reyes Carranza have ascended into leadership roles. The Raiders host Elizabeth Seton for their final scrimmage on August 24.

Meanwhile, the varsity squad returns its entire backline and center midfield on a team ready to earn its first region championship since 2019. Junior Jada Savage found the back of the net in the first 10 minutes of the second half against the Titans, while sophomore Sofia Zuniga volleyed home a free kick from senior Victoria Obisesan minutes later. The Raiders remained dangerous all evening with sophomore Claudia van der Have tallying the final goal after pestering the Einstein backline all game. Junior Nicole Lilja will replace graduated senior Mia Hamilton in goal for the Raiders, while freshman Claira Alolga is the lone freshman to earn a roster spot this year. Centerback Autumn Freeman joins Obisesan to form a Raider defense that will hunt for regular clean sheets, with no game more anticipated than the September 28 matchup with the Bowie Bulldogs. Until then, the Raiders will condition and train amid the late summer heat, looking to best last season's already impressive accomplishments and continue playing deep into fall where the team will look to produce its own warmth and excitement.

Sofia Zuniga and Autumn Freeman look on as Jada Savage and Claudia van der Have fight for the ball in a 3-0 pre-season victory against the Einstein Titans.

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Senior Kaia Booker and junior Alyssa Casey maintain possession for a Raider squad aiming for a region championship this fall.




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# Corson’s Sculptures Featured In Two D.C. Gallery Shows

Figurative ceramic sculptures by Greenbelt artist Chris Corson are featured in two exhibitions opening this month in Washington, D.C.

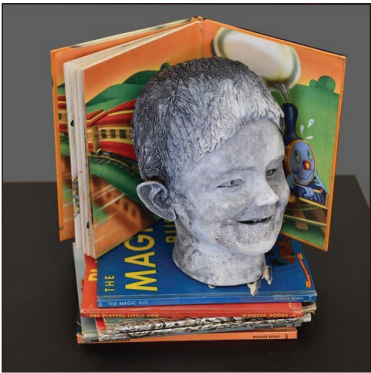
The Joan Hisaoka Healing Arts Gallery at the Smith Center for Healing and the Arts is presenting Not Limited to the Human Condition. In addition to Corson, the show features work in a variety of media by Mary Annella Frank, Marcel Deolazo, Rose Jaffe, Candice Tavares and Nami Oshiro. Their work challenges the notion that the form of an animal or human can be viewed as purely corporeal, while confronting archaic portrayals of physical form. An opening reception will be held on Friday, August 25 from 6 to 9 p.m. The Smith Center is located at 1632 U Street, N.W. Due to the sensitive nature of the work, this exhibit will be open by appointment only through Sunday, September 17. Appointments can be made online at [bit.ly/444TJqE](http://bit.ly/444TJqE).

Corson’s second exhibition,



Sculpture from Chris Corson’s Not Limited to the Human Condition exhibit

Figure and Ground, will be on view from Wednesday, August 30 through Friday, September 29 at Studio Gallery. Pairing Corson’s work with figurative photography by Gary Anthes, the show strives to find humanity in unexpected places and ways – in evocative imagery; hinting at secrets; opening doors to interior life. An opening reception will be held



Glee from Chris Corson's Figure and Ground exhibit

- Photos by Chris Corson

on Saturday, September 9 from 4 to 6 p.m. The gallery is located at 2108 R St., N.W. Learn more about the exhibit here at [bit.ly/3qy2YIL](http://bit.ly/3qy2YIL).

Corson is a Greenbelt Recreation arts program instructor and artist in residence at the Community Center. For information about Greenbelt Recreation arts programs, visit [greenbeltmd.gov/arts](http://greenbeltmd.gov/arts).

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opportunity for a little exercise, with the adult table tennis tournament ping-ponging off at 6 p.m. at the Youth Center.

A Greenbelt Museum exhibition in the Community Center, The Knowing Hands That Carve This Stone: The New Deal Art of Lenore Thomas Straus, runs from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. each day of the Festival.

### Events on Saturday

The fun starts early on Saturday with Greenbelt Museum walking tours from 9 to 11 a.m. The midway opens at 11 a.m. and is in full swing until 10 p.m. All-you-can-ride tickets are available at the Festival, and discount vouchers are available at the Cop through Thursday, August 31 – ask at any register. Lots of food and drink choices will slake thirst and fill tummies.

At Roosevelt Center, visit Information Day and community exhibits set up by local groups, including your favorite paper, the News Review, and learn about your community.

The ever-popular children and teens Pet Show has registration at 9:30 a.m. with awards presented at 10 a.m. Maybe Fido has what it takes to be this year’s Most Enthusiastic Tail Wagger – every pet’s a winner at this show.

At the Art and Photo Show in the Community Center gym, view entries submitted by local artists and photographers and vote for Community Favorites.

Fun events on Braden Field for the small fry start at 10 a.m. and include a water balloon toss, sack race, a pie-eating contest and a diaper derby.

### Saturday Music

Katy Gaughan’s family-friendly Drumming for Wellness percussively kicks off Saturday’s rhythmic offerings at the stage from noon to 1:30 p.m. After that, three bands are on the schedule. Proverbs Reggae Band delivers their original, socially conscious reggae music and popular classics such as Bob Marley from 2 to 4:30 p.m. From 5 to 7:30 p.m., Granny and the Boys, D.C.’s #1 house band – four middle-aged men on bass guitar, drums and vocals ... and one granny on keys – are on stage. Finishing the lineup is Johnny Seaton, who will wow audiences from 8 to 11 p.m. with his electrifying performance of the music of Elvis Presley.

Next week’s newspaper will give the rundown for Sunday and Monday’s activities.

There’s something for everyone in this year’s Festival.

# Ill Met By Moonlight Show Promises a Darker Dream

“Fairies were not always wee Tinkerbells,” according to Joshua Engel, director of the Rude Mechanicals production of Ill Met By Moonlight, which will run weekends from August 25 through September 9 at the Greenbelt Arts Center.

Fairies were once seen as dark and dangerous, Engel notes, arguing that William Shakespeare’s A Midsummer Night’s Dream was part of the shift toward the friendly fairies of today. But the play “still contains echoes of these older, more terrifying fairies,” a notion Engel said he explores in his adaptation.

“Shakespeare’s rendition is lighthearted and its consequences easily forgotten, but the Rude Mechanicals (who draw their name from this play) have a talent for finding the play within

the play,” said Engel. “My goal for Rudes productions has always been to strip off the varnish of centuries of tradition and find the story that was always there.”

“I can confidently say that, no matter how familiar you are with Midsummer, you are in for some cool surprises,” said Kate Medwar-Vanderlinden, who plays Nick Bottom. Some of those surprises come from the innovative set designed by Erin Nealer.

“We’re using a deceptively simple black-box construction for the stage, but with some tricks and some creative lighting effects the actors get to redesign the space as they’re using it, turning a black room into a magical forest,” said Nealer. “The audience will be surprised right alongside the mortal characters as the magical fairies manipulate the world

around them.”

Engel has been planning this production for seven years with the Greenbelt Arts Center’s black box in mind. The production was originally scheduled for 2020 but was postponed due to the coronavirus pandemic.

“This is my first experience with the Rudes and I love the camaraderie, the incredible talent pool and the warmth with which the troupe welcomed me into the fold,” said Aparna Sri, who plays Titania. “This particular adaptation promises a gloriously dark, magical, glowing experience for all.”

The Rude Mechanicals troupe was founded in 1999 and has been a Greenbelt Arts Center resident theater troupe since 2019.



The Proverbs Reggae Band will perform at the Labor Day Festival on Saturday afternoon.

## MDOT Launches Greenbelt East Trail Feasibility Study

The Maryland Department of Transportation/State Highway Administration (MDOT/SHA) launched a feasibility study of the Greenbelt East Trail ([greenbeltnasatrail.org](http://greenbeltnasatrail.org)) on August 17.

To kick off the study, MDOT/SHA engineering contractors walked along parts of the proposed trail route with Greenbelt and county officials, volunteers from Friends of the Greenbelt East Trail and designers from the Neighborhood Design Center (NDC). NDC’s work is funded in part by the Anacostia Trails Heritage Area and Maryland Heritage Areas Authority.

The design and engineering consultants walked from Eleanor Roosevelt High School past Goddard Space Flight Center to the commercial district between Good Luck Road and Lanham Severn Road. The trail would ultimately

continue past Lanham Severn Road to the WB&A trailhead at the Glenn Dale Splash Park, thereby connecting the WB&A trail system that runs between Baltimore and Annapolis with the Anacostia River Trail System toward Washington via Greenbelt. The trail would thus fill a key missing link for people walking and biking locally, regionally and even nationally along the East Coast Greenway.

MDOT’s feasibility study is scheduled to be completed in December. Friends of the Greenbelt East Trail want MDOT/SHA to install a two-way protected shared-use trail on the existing Greenbelt Road (Md. 193) right-of-way. The goal is to improve safety and access all along the route, as well as to connect two of Maryland’s major trail systems via Greenbelt.



A groundhog pauses to look around.



A tomato hornworm attacks resident Greenbelter Ben Greene – or at least his tomatoes!